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I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine dated 23 November 1995 concerning the decision of the United Nations Security Council to suspend sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

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Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

Ukraine welcomes the decision by the United Nations Security Council to suspend economic sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, which became possible following the initialling at Dayton, in the United States of America, of the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the annexes thereto by the Presidents of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Croatia.

Ukraine, which has consistently called for the repeal of the embargo against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, believes that this event will promote progress in the subsequent negotiating process, restore trust between the parties to the conflict and serve as an impetus to the implementation of the Agreements that have been concluded.

The suspension and subsequent termination of the sanctions regime against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia is an event of enormous importance which will stimulate the economic development and restoration of traditional ties between all countries of the region. Ukraine is sure that peace and harmony will bring prosperity and well-being to all the peoples of the former Yugoslavia.

Ukraine is of the view that the complete termination of the sanctions against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the full entry of the latter into the international community will represent an important guarantee of peace and stability in the region and a reinforcement of security in Europe.

Ukraine, which, like other States in the region, has suffered major losses by conscientiously adhering to the embargo, reaffirms its willingness to develop comprehensive economic relations with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the other countries of the former Yugoslavia and to take part in the process of revitalizing and reconstructing the region in the wake of the conflict.

Kiev, 23 November 1995